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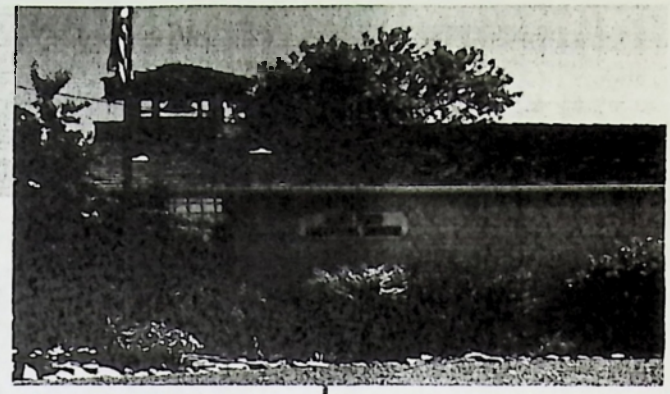

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President's Message

Dear Members:

As I look out the window, the snow is falling and another year is coming to a close. I hope that everyone had a very Merry Christmas and that 2008 will be your best year ever.

2007 was eventful, to say the least. Early in the year the Board voted to pursue separating the Wood House from the museum, while at the same time placing the museum under the city of Eagle Point. They felt it was the best and most certain way of preserving the history contained in the museum. Early in the year, we began working toward that end with the help of attorney Bill Mansfield.

A new corporation, called the Wood House Preservation Group was formed late in the year and they are currently in the process of obtaining the necessary 501 (c) (3) status to be able to accept the transfer of those assets. According to the last report I've received, that may take three months or so before it can be accomplished. Until that is done the transfer of the balance of the assets to the city of Eagle Point will not happen.

Throughout the year, there have been many people who have worked tirelessly to maintain the museum and to make certain that it is open for as many hours as possible. I wish to thank them for their contributions on behalf the Historical Society. As usual, Helen Wolgamott has been very active keeping the ground looking beautiful, and also volunteering as docent. Helen also serves on the board and is vice president of the organization and has coordinated with the Butte Creek Mill during the Vintage Faire days held during the summer. Sally Corriveau has been in the role of volunteer coordinator since Virginia Cutler passed away, and has done an exemplary job.

Dennis Godfrey is the newest Board member to accept the position, now the sixth member of the seven seats on the Board. He serves alongside Wolgamott, Suzi Collins, Maggie Webster, Bill Bradshaw and myself.

Thank you for your patience this year, and for your understanding. We'll do our best to keep you informed of everything as best as we can.

Happy New Year.

Ralph McKechnie

Hours of Operation

Open: Saturdays
11 AM to 3 PM
Every third Thursday and
Friday 11AM—3 PM

Officers

President
Ralph McKechnie

Vice President
Helen Wolgamott

Treasurer
Bill Bradshaw

Secretary
Margaret Webster

Board Member at Large
Suzi Collins
Dennis Godfrey

Membership
Margaret Webster

Wood House Coordinators
Skip & Charlotte Greear

Grounds Coordinator
Helen Wolgamott

Office Manager
Ken Thompson

Docents Coordinator
Sally Corriveau

Wood House Update

The Wood House has enjoyed another good year with hundreds of visitors. The Christmas light display really looked great and I thank all the volunteers that helped with the display. The Articles of Incorporation have been approved by the state and they have been signed by the new board of directors. The new board of directors for the Wood House Preservation group have met and they have officially adopted the new By-Laws for the group and the By-Laws have been signed. The next step is for Bill Mansfield to finish the paperwork for the conveyance of the Wood House and its assets (both monetary and physical) by the EPHS and then the Wood House will be on its own. Hopefully, that will be accomplished by the next meeting of the EPHS in January.

Here are the confirmed dates that I have so far for the upcoming events at the Wood House for 2008:

Antique Tractor Show: April 26th and 27 (continued on page 3)

Meetings

The Historical Society meets the third Monday of each month at 7 PM at the Eagle Point Museum. All meetings are always open to the public and to Historical Society members. Come on down and meet your board members.

Dues

Single Family Member $10.00
Multiple family same household $15.00
Lifetime member $100.00

Souvenirs Here

If you haven't been by the museum in awhile you should swing by and check out the various items we have that make great souvenirs.

Linda Thompson has created four excellent magnets with pictures of the Museum, The Avenue of Flags and the Wood House. All magnets are only $1.00.

We also have T-shirts and sweat shirts with the Museum logo on them. Everything soon to become collector items. Gift Receipts available.